

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2015 – 7:15PM**

PRESENT: Chairman Tom Stansfield, Carey Budnick, Allen Kinsella, Andy Savarese, Ray Turri, Rick Wadhams; Town Planner/Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer, Martin Connor, AICP
EXCUSED: Lorraine Lucas.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Thomas Stansfield called the meeting to order at 7:15PM. The proceedings were recorded digitally, and copies are available in the Land Use Office in Town Hall.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

No business was discussed.

3. READING OF THE MINUTES:

A. May 7, 2015 regular meeting.

MOTION Mr. Wadhams, second Mr. Turri, to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2015 regular meeting as written; unanimously approved.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Norman Waycott, III, for Carolyn Schmidt & Dennis Belancik, North Goshen Road (Assessor's Map #08-020-002) – AFTER-THE-FACT Timber Harvest with Stream Crossing.

Although the applicant was not present, the Commission agreed to proceed with this matter. Mr. Stansfield noted that the stream crossing had been done correctly; the only omission was not obtaining a permit prior to commencing work. Mr. Connor concurred.

MOTION Mr. Turri, second Mr. Savarese, to approve the application in the matter of **Norman Waycott, III, for Carolyn Schmidt & Dennis Belancik, North Goshen Road (Assessor's Map #08-020-002) – AFTER-THE-FACT Timber Harvest with Stream Crossing**; unanimously approved.

B. Martin Tyrrel, 13 Lake Shore Drive – Replace Cottage Piers and Grading & Drainage Improvements in the Regulated Area.

Martin Tyrrel addressed the Commission regarding this matter. Mr. Stansfield reminded the Commission that at the last meeting, they had requested Mr. Tyrrel submitted engineered plans for the grading and drainage improvements he was considering; Mr. Tyrrel had at that time stated that he might wish to withdraw this portion of his application. Mr. Stansfield explained that the Commission had accepted the application with the understanding that the required materials would be submitted at this meeting if Mr. Tyrrel wished to go ahead with the grading and drainage portion of the application. Mr. Tyrrel informed the Commission that he had decided to withdraw the portion of the application pertaining to grading and drainage improvements for the present time. If he chose to go forward at a later date, he would complete another application form and submit the requested information. He then updated his application form and initialed the changes.

Mr. Connor then stated that he believed the portion of the application pertaining to the replacement of the cottage piers was complete. He advised that, if the application was approved, silt fence or hay bales should be properly installed between the house and the lake.

MOTION Mr. Turri, second Mr. Wadhams, to approve the application in the matter of **Martin Tyrrel, 13 Lake Shore Drive – Replace Cottage Piers in the Regulated Area**; unanimously approved.

Mr. Kinsella requested that Mr. Tyrrel contact Mr. Connor prior to commencing any work in order to ensure that sedimentation and erosion control measures have been properly installed.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Michael Bergin, 4 Bueford Court – Construct Garage in the Regulated Area.

Mr. Connor explained that a permit had previously been granted to construct a house and garage on this property. The house had been built; however, the garage had not been built and the permit subsequently expired. Mr. Bergin explained that the garage would be located in approximately the same location as originally proposed; however, it would be flush with the front porch.

Mr. Connor explained that, when he visited the site, he observed a shed on the property for which an Inland Wetlands permit had not been obtained. The shed was also not located on the site plan that had originally been approved. He suggested amending the application to include the shed, and Mr. Bergin did so. Mr. Connor noted that the applicant had already obtained Torrington Area Health District approval.

MOTION Mr. Turri, second Mr. Kinsella, to accept the application in the matter of **Michael Bergin, 4 Bueford Court – Construct Garage and Shed in the Regulated Area**; unanimously approved.

6. INLAND WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Commission briefly reviewed Mr. Connor's enforcement report for the previous month.

MOTION Mr. Kinsella, second Mr. Turri, to accept the Enforcement Report for the period from May 8, 2015 to June 4, 2015; unanimously approved.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

Commission members reviewed a permit application for the use of pesticides in State waters for Pond A on the golf course at the Torrington Country Club. They also reviewed information regarding the Municipal Inland Wetlands Agency Comprehensive Training Program and the Continuing Education Workshops sponsored by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

8. OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

A. Discussion of Recommendations Made by Town Engineering Consultant Todd Parsons, PE Regarding Proposed Beach Maintenance Best Management Practices Document.

The Commission reviewed the proposed additional information that the Town's engineering consultant, Todd Parsons, had recommended be included in the document. Rather than putting in one preferred method of shoreline stabilization, Mr. Parson recommended providing links to the Connecticut Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Engineering Field Handbook.

The Commission discussed the recommended height of shoreline stabilization projects. Mr. Turri noted that the wake from large boats on Woodridge Lake often eroded property behind the shoreline riprap. Mr. Connor explained that most contractors did not properly heel in the riprap below the lake bottom; this was important in order to ensure stability.

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The Commission agreed to have the Recording Secretary update the proposed Beach Maintenance booklet to include these most recent additions in time for a final discussion at the July regular meeting.

9. ADJOURN:

MOTION Mr. Savarese, second Mr. Stansfield, to adjourn at 7:38PM; unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

**Stacey M. Sefcik
Recording Secretary**